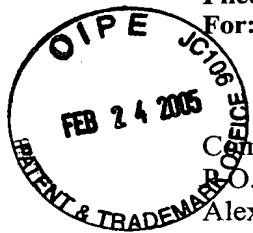


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Attorney Docket No. 976-10

In re Application of: Gomez, et al.
Serial No.: 09/866,232
Confirmation No.: 5854
Filed: May 25, 2001
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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Sir:

This amendment is in response to the final office action dated December 17, 2004.
The amendment is filed within three months from the date of the final office action.
Therefore, no extension of time is required for filing of this amendment. Entry of the
following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2.

Remarks

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.